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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1-11 were presented for examination and are pending in this application. In a Final Official Office Action dated August 11, 2005, claims 1-11 were rejected. The Applicants thank the Examiner for his consideration and helpful comments concerning the claims in light of the cited art. The Applicants address the Examiner's comments concerning the claims pending in this application below.

Applicants herein amend claim 1 and respectfully traverse the Examiner's prior rejections. Claims 8 – 9 and 12 – 17 are canceled without prejudice and no new claims are presently added. These changes are believed not to introduce new matter, and their entry is respectfully requested. The additional limitations brought into the independent claims place the claims in better condition for consideration on appeal and because they appear in dependent claims as filed these amendments do not raise any new issues that would require further research by the Examiner. Accordingly, the amendments should be entered under 37 C.F.R. 1.116. Furthermore, the claims have been amended to expedite the prosecution and issuance of the application. In making this amendment, Applicants have not and are not narrowing the scope of the protection to which the Applicants consider the claimed invention to be entitled and do not concede, directly or by implication, that the subject matter of such claims was in fact disclosed or taught by the cited prior art. Rather, Applicants reserve the right to pursue such protection at a later point in time and merely seek to pursue protection for the subject matter presented in this submission.

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Based on the above amendments and the following remarks, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner reconsider all outstanding rejections and withdraw them.

I. **Rejection of the Claims under 35 U.S.C. §102(e)**

Claims 1-11 remain rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent Application No. 2002/0007317 ("Callaghan"). Applicants respectfully traverse these rejections in light of the following remarks.

MPEP §2131 provides:

"A claim is anticipated only if each and every element as set forth in the claim is found, either expressly or inherently described, in a single prior art reference." *Verdegall Bros. v. Union Oil Co. of California*, 814 F.2d 628, 631, 2 U.S.P.Q.2d 1051, 1053 (Fed. Cir.1987). "The identical invention must be shown in as complete detail as contained in the claim." *Richardson v. Suzuki Motor Co.*, 868 F.2d 1226, 1236, 9 U.S.P.Q.2d 1913, 1920 (Fed. Cir. 1989).

The claims as currently amended recite features lacking in the applied references. For example, independent claim 1 recites, among other things, "wherein the first process within the dynamically assigned domain implements a gateway specific to a current agent request and the statically assigned domain is associated with an implicit web server implemented at the same network address as the first process."

Callaghan seems to disclose a method for sharing state information according to a variety of scenarios. For example, Callaghan discloses among other things sharing state information between a first and second domain, between a client and a server, throughout a range of Uniform

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Resource Locators, and a plurality of web sites. See Callaghan para. 0017 – 0026. The exchange occurs via an intermediary proxy that “Includes a Moved Temporarily response code requesting the browser to resubmit the request for a new location....” Callaghan para. 0075. Thereafter, state information is knowingly exchanged between the user (client) and the proxy server.

The present invention adds two components to the typical intermediary computer infrastructure; a front-end and a back-end. These two components are managed by a communications link forming, in essence, a private network. The front-end component acts as an access point for client-side communications and once established all client requests for the domain are routed to the selected front-end. The front-end implements processes creating a gateway for the origin servers web site. Therefore, from the perspective of the client, the front-end appears to be the desired web site. Unlike the proxy computer disclosed in Callaghan, the user agent is unaware of the front-end's existence (intermediary computer of claim 1). The front-end / back-end combinations can be programmed and positioned as a gateway to facilitate faster and more efficient communications, among other advantages.

Each and every element set forth in claim 1 is not disclosed in Callaghan. Accordingly, the Applicants submit that claim 1 is not anticipated by Callaghan and is in condition for allowance. Claim 2-7, and 10-11 depend from claim 1 and are, for at least the same reasons, not anticipated by Callaghan. The Applicants respectfully request the rejection of claims 1-7 and 10-11 be withdrawn.

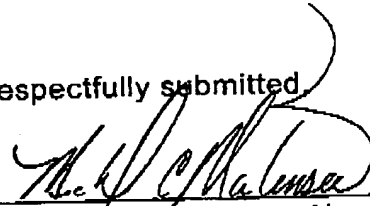
In view of all of the above, the claims are now believed to be allowable and the case in condition for allowance which action is

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respectfully requested. Should the Examiner be of the opinion that a telephone conference would expedite the prosecution of this case, the Examiner is requested to contact Applicants' attorney at the telephone number listed below.

No fee is believed due for this submittal. However, any fee deficiency associated with this submittal may be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-1123.

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